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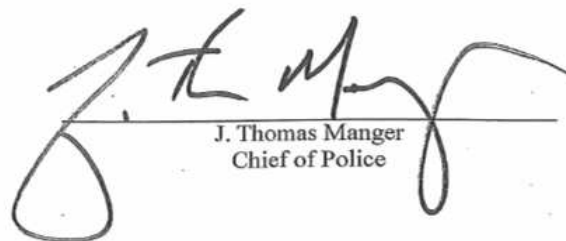
On July 19, 2007, the State's Attorney's Office formed a Gang Prosecution Unit in an effort to focus prosecution on known gang members. To achieve this goal, the department and the Montgomery County Gang Task Force developed the MCP 109, "Gang Prosecution Special Alert Form," which will alert the Gang Prosecution Unit of gang members entering the legal system. The MCP 109 will be completed by the arresting officer whenever any of the following factors are present or occur:

- a. The offender admits to a gang affiliation.
- b. The officer has personal knowledge that the offender belongs to a gang.
- c. The offender has gang tattoos, gang dress, or is known to associate with gang members.
- d. Other suspects arrested with the offender identify the offender as a gang member.
- e. Witnesses or victims have knowledge of the offender's gang affiliation.

Officers will follow the guidelines set in FC 611, "Follow-up Investigations," which states: "Whenever an arrest of a suspected gang member is made, the arresting officer will notify the Gang Unit Sergeant (SID). If the Gang Unit Sergeant is unavailable, the appropriate district gang coordinator will be notified. This notification should occur prior to transporting the arrested individual to the CPU." Officers will document this notification on the MCP 109.

Fax the completed MCP 109 and a copy of the report to the State's Attorney's Office, attention Gang Coordinator, at 240-777-7413.

The Gang Prosecution Unit and the Gang Task Force will jointly confirm the offender's gang membership.



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